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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Hong JIN et al.

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RECOMBINANT RSV EXPRESSION

SYSTEMS AND VACCINES

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.143 AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 11, 2002, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.143 and 1.115, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. Applicants submit herewith: (1) a list of the claims as they will be pending upon entry of the amendments made herein (attached as Exhibit A); (2) a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for one month from April 11, 2002, up to and including May 11, 2002; and (3) an Amendment Fee Transmittal Sheet.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add new claims 36-40 as follows:

36. (new) The vaccine of claim 17, wherein said Respiratory Syncytial Virus is a chimeric virus.

37. (new) The vaccine of claim 17, wherein said mRNA coding sequence encodes G and F genes of both Respiratory Syncytial Virus A and Respiratory Syncytial Virus B.

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